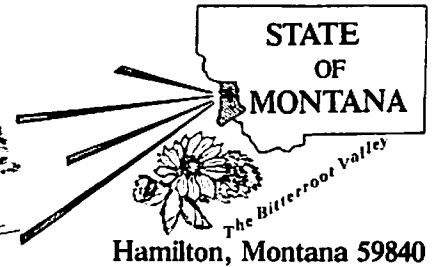
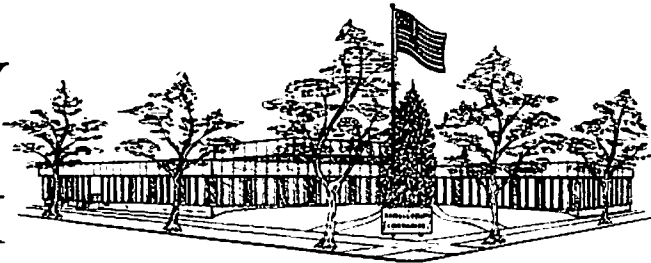


COUNTY OF RAVALLI



RAVALLI COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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September 24, 2008

Farmers State Bank
Attn: Dawn Hornaday
PO Box 40
Florence, MT. 59833

RE: Florence Park District

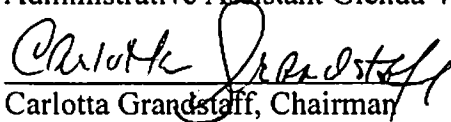
Dear Ms. Hornaday;

We understand the Florence Park District has asked to borrow money in order to purchase maintenance equipment for their district. In doing so, you have asked for a letter from the Commissioners in this regard.

Part 24 of the Montana Code Annotated addresses the creation of county park districts (7-16-2411 MCA) and the powers of county park districts (7-16-2423 MCA). As such, the Florence Park District was created under the authority of the Montana Statutes and their trustees or commission has the power to: purchase buildings and facilities on lands controlled by the district and equip, operate, and maintain the buildings and facilities (7-16-2423(4) MCA). (See attached MCA).

Their mill levy as of April 2008 was 3.393 with the revenue from that mill being approximately \$20,821.00.

If you need anything further from our office, please feel free to contact our Administrative Assistant Glenda Wiles at the above number.


Carlotta Grandstaff, Chairman
Ravalli County Commissioners

CC: Florence Park District